

AMENDMENT 2

TO THE 28 AUGUST 1998

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

FOR COOPERATION IN THE ENGINEERING AND MANUFACTURING DEVELOPMENT
(EMD) PHASE OF THE U.S. LIGHTWEIGHT 155mm HOWITZER (LW155) PROGRAM

BETWEEN

THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

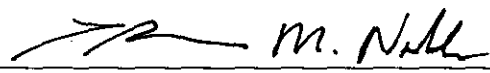
AND

THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DEFENCE
OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

AND

THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY
TO EXTEND THE DURATION OF THE MOU

Certified to be a true copy:


THOMAS M. NOBLE
Deputy Director, International Agreements
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INTRODUCTION

The Secretary of Defense on Behalf of the Department of Defense of the United States of America, the Secretary of State for Defence of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the Ministry of Defense of the Government of the Republic of Italy, hereinafter referred to as the "Participants";

Recognizing the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) of 28 August 1998, as amended 26 March 1999, between the Secretary of Defense on Behalf of the Department of Defense of the United States of America and the Secretary of State for Defence of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, for the Cooperation in the Engineering and Manufacturing Development (EMD) Phase of the U.S. Lightweight 155mm Howitzer (LW155) Program (the "LW155 EMD MOU");

Recognizing that work under this MOU will extend longer than originally planned and desirous to continue cooperation through the completion of this effort;

Recognizing that Paragraph 17.7. of the MOU provides that the MOU "may be extended by the mutual written consent of the Participants."

Have reached the following understandings:

SECTION 1 PURPOSE

The purpose of the amendment is to extend the duration of this MOU by one additional year.

SECTION II AMENDMENT

The LW155 EMD MOU is hereby amended as follows:

1. SECTION XVII (AMENDMENT, TERMINATION, ENTRY INTO EFFECT, AND DURATION), Paragraph 17.7., delete and replace with the following:

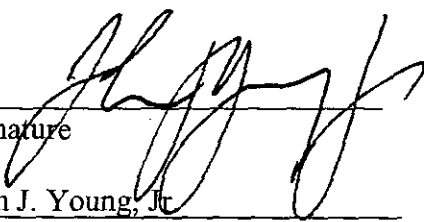
"17.7. This MOU, which consists of the Introduction, 17 Sections and two Annexes, will enter into effect from the date of the last signature and will remain in effect until March 31, 2005. It may be extended by the mutual written consent of the Participants."

SECTION III
ENTRY INTO EFFECT

This Amendment Two to the LW155 EMD MOU will enter into effect upon the date of the last signature below. Unless specifically amended herein, all other provisions of the LW155 EMD MOU remain unchanged.

The foregoing represents the understandings reached between the Secretary of Defense on behalf of the Department of Defense of the United States of America, the Secretary of State for Defence of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the Ministry of Defense of the Government of the Republic of Italy upon the matters referred to therein. Signed in triplicate in the English language by authorized representatives.

FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA:



Signature
John J. Young, Jr

Name
Assistant Secretary of the Navy
(Research, Development, and
Acquisition)

Title


28 APRIL 2004

Date

Washington, DC

Location

FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR
DEFENCE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM
OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN
IRELAND:



Signature
D N WILLIAMS

Name
AIR VICE-MARSHAL / DAW

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Date

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FOR THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE OF
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF ITALY


Signature

GEN. ROBERTO DI CARO
Name

LAND ARMAMENT GENERAL DIRECTORATE
(GENERAL DIRECTOR)
Title

13 July 2004
Date

ROME
Location